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## IN THE DAYS OF FALCONRY MONEY SIDE OF THE WAR

Hawks Remarkably Well Trained for the Work That They Were Required to Do.

When International Credit "Went to Pot," So to Speak, Overnight.

Falconry, or hawking, was a favorite sport with the nobility and gentry of Europe down to the first half of the seventeenth century. Hawks were trained to mount and pursue game and bring it to their masters and mistresses, coming and going to the call of the latter with marvelous docility.

The hawks were tricked out with gay hoods and held until ordered to pursue "the quarry," or game, by leathern straps fastened with rings of leather about each leg just above the talons, and silken cords called "jesses." To each of these leathern straps, or "bewets," was attached a small bell. In the flight of hawks it was often so arranged that the different bells made "a consort of sweet sounds."

Bells of this description, but of the cheapest kind, were among the most popular trinkets used by the early explorers and traders in bartering with the natives of America.

### Why Invitation Was Declined.

We were asked by our old friend Billie Moore, the duck that built the Texas City dike, to be amongst them present and participate in the doings yesterday, but our understanding of the function led us to believe that there'd be altogether too much water on hand for us. We air always ready to close the dike into our face and prevent any water from flowing there, and we air always prepared to put our wishbone again a bar and push until the last man has treated and retreated, but we hope our old friend will forgive us for not exposing our fool self to that much water. Sometime when he is thinkin' of openin' something instead of closin' it we'll have our corkscrew ready to render first aid.—Alkali Eye.

### Best Hours for Sleep.

Children that are put to bed at 6 p. m. sleep more soundly than those that go to bed at seven or later, and adults that retire at 10 p. m. sleep better and are in a decidedly superior state of health to those that try to woo Morpheus at eleven, twelve or past midnight.

Ohio penitentiary contains 1,907 convicts.

In the August American Magazine a well-known American banker writes an article entitled "The Money Side of the War," in which he reveals many surprising facts. In the course of his article he tells as follows how international credit "went to pot" overnight:

"On July 27, 1914, in the midst of the crash of security values on our stock exchange, \$12,000,000 of our gold was exported. The next day Austria declared war on Serbia and in the ten days thereafter we sent \$45,000,000 more gold out of this country. The war became general. Great Britain and most of the continental countries declared moratoria. That meant internationally that these nations stopped paying their debts, but they could ask the other fellow to pay what he owed them. America, which did not declare any moratorium, thus became the target for everything. We were the only people that declared themselves ready to pay cash.

"Sterling exchange continued to rise, and at one time soon after the outbreak of the war touched \$7. This meant that, whereas ordinarily it costs us \$4.865, we will say, to buy the equivalent of what £1 will buy, it then cost us \$7. And if we owed £1,000 in London and had to pay it at once, it cost us \$7,000 to do it, instead of, as ordinarily, \$4,865. Even at that it was almost impossible to get any amount of exchange. Our vaunted international credit system, built up over a series of generations, 'went to pot' overnight. Ocean transportation was violently disarranged. It was impossible to get bottoms wherein to ship; and the rates for marine and war insurance ran so high that manufacturers could no longer afford to ship."

### His Anxious Query.

At a hospital one day a little boy came into the room to see his mother, who was quite ill. He was crying bitterly and, coming over to the bed, he looked down at her, saying, "Mother, is there any chance for you dying?"

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